TYPISTS—MAGISTRATE'S COURTS

340. Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there are typists in the Magistrate's Courts in the State;

(*b*) whether there are type-writers in all these Courts;

(*c*) whether the Judgments in these Courts are type-written;

(*d*) whether the correspondence work in the Courts are also type-written;

(*e*) the designation and pay of the persons who are doing the type-writing work in these Courts;

(*f*) the designation and pay of the persons who are doing the type-writing work in the Civil Courts in the State?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) There are no Typists. One from among the clerical staff who is qualified for type-writing, attends to the work.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) Copyist on Rs. 20 or Clerk on Rs. 25—40, whoever is qualified.

(*f*) Short-hand typists on Rs. 25—40—60 + duty allowance, Typist on Rs. 25—40—60 with or without duty allowance and Steno Copyist on Rs. 20 + duty allowance.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* May I know, Sir, whether Magistrates dictate their judgments and for this purpose have not the steno-typists to go to their houses?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* I do not know whether all of them dictate judgments. But they have been allowed to dictate their judgments.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* In the answer I find that the officers who are doing the same duty are paid differently. That is, in the Magistrate's Court the copyists who are asked to attend to the typing work are given a lesser pay, whereas those who do the same work in the High Court and the District

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Courts are given a higher pay. What is the reason for this distinction?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* One answer is this. In the Magistrate's Court, one clerk is attending to the typist's duties.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* There they have to get all the judgments typewritten. All the correspondence too has to be typewritten. And over and above all these things, they have also to go to the house of the Magistrate to take down judgments. If the work is practically the same in both the courts, why is this distinction shown?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* The work is different. In the Magistrate's Court, they are copyists. When they have no work as copyists, they attend to the typists' work. It is only a part-time work.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* What I submit is they are appointed as copyists in name. They are actually doing the other work.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* They are also attending to the copying work. In addition to this, they have to attend to the typing work. The two together constitute full-time work.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* What I wish to bring to the notice of the Government is that such typists in the Munsiff's Court are given an allowance. They are also doing the same kind of work—typing the correspondence and taking dictations from the Magistrate. Why not give the same allowance to the typist in the Magistrate's Court?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* It is only a question to be considered.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Is there scope for a full-time typist in the Magistrate's Court?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* I don't think as matters stand that there is full-time work.

MR. K. M. GOVINDAN EZHUTHASSAN—APPOINTMENT AS PANDIT BY STAFF SELECTION BOARD

341. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether Mr. K. M. Govindan Ezhuthassan, who has been appointed as Sanskrit Pandit as No. 6 in the

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